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TO: Retro Advisory Committee

FROM: Frank Romero (Chair), Retro Program Manager

SUBJECT: Minutes of 10/12/99 retro advisory committee meeting

The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:06 PM, by committee chair Frank Romero. After introductions of the committee and members of the public the meeting commenced.

A motion was made and seconded to correct the minutes of the previous meeting and distribute them later; motion carried. Frank reviewed the proposed agenda for today's meeting.

Dan Strate and Beth Johnson of the retrospective rating research section presented a demonstration of the new CD-ROM based reports, which will replace paper reports for retro groups and TPA's. They explained the search capabilities and described how to find specific text strings and employer information. A few bugs remain in the "export" function used to send data to another program such as an Excel spreadsheet; they also discussed the copy and paste feature. If customers experience any problems or have questions, they can contact Dan (360 902-4839) or Beth (360 902-4732).

Thomas Hess (actuary) discussed actuarial issues with the committee. He gave an overview of the proposed workers' compensation rates for 2000; there will be no change in the overall rates. The accident fund decreased by 3.6 percent and the supplemental pension fund increased 16.7 percent, while the medical aid fund remained the same. Hess also described the positive affect the stock market has had on the contingency fund. He also briefly described the affect the Cockle Decision is projected to have on the State Fund.

The annual retro symposium will take place at the Governor's Industrial Safety & Health Conference, October 20, 1999. There will be no charge for those who want to attend the symposium only. You will need to obtain a name tag at the registration desk to gain entry to the convention center.

The 2000 meeting schedule for the retro advisory committee will be 1:00 PM on: Tuesday, January 11; Tuesday, April 11; Tuesday, July 11; and Tuesday, October 10.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:10 PM.

The next committee meeting will be at 1:00 PM, Tuesday, January 11, 2000.